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Donna Shalala, Secretary U.S. Dept. of Health and Human Services 200 Independence Ave., S.W. Washington, DC 20201

Dear Secretary Shalala:

I hope I'm not too late to ask you NOT to allow the labeling requirements for irradiated food to be weakened. I and all other food buyers have a right to know, as accurately as possible, what we are buying. I'd be extremely upset and dismayed to think that I could be buying irradiated food and not even KNOW it! I will never eat irradiated food unless and until long-term studies are done as to its effects on consumers and the environment.

You simply must stick to the current policy (as I understand it) that irradiated foods be prominently labeled!

Sincerely,

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